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Accord With Pros Near--Dedeaux

Owners Want Agreement Says Prexy

New Rule Was Voted Out At St. Pete Meet

By ABE CHANIN
Collegiate Baseball Editor

LOS ANGELES — Professional and collegiate baseball are nearer an agreement today than at anytime in the last 4 or 5 years, says Raoul Dedeaux, president of the American Association of College Baseball Coaches.

Dedeaux, head coach of University of Southern California baseball team and also a member of the Los Angeles Dodgers public relations staff, said that he has "strong indication that pro club owners are in favor of an agreement."

"We came very close to reaching an accord at St. Petersburg," Dedeaux declared.

At the winter meetings of professional baseball in the Florida city, the American Association submitted amendment No. 110 which would have brought about a college player rule. The amendment was submitted at the request of the Denver club. Bob Howsam heads the Denver baseball team.

The proposed college player rule was voted down by the pros.

"But my feeling was that we came very close to an accord," Dedeaux said. "All this past year I have been in contact with major club owners or their representatives. And there is no doubt that the owners want to have some sort of equitable arrangement worked out."

"They are most interested in college teams playing more baseball games. Now there are several areas where summer ball and fall ball is either underway or under study."

"I believe that today we are closer to an agreement with the pros than at anytime during the last 4 or 5 years."

Here, in part, is the proposed amendment No. 110 (College Player Rule) which was defeated at the National Association annual meeting:

"Who may and may not be signed. No player who is a member (or, if a freshman, a prospective member) of the baseball team which represents a college in intercollegiate competition may be signed by a major league or national association club during the following periods:

"Commencing with date of matriculation as a freshman and ending with the day following conclusion of his sophomore year.

"Commencing with the first day of his junior year and ending with the day following conclusion of such year.

"Commencing with the first day of his senior year and ending with the day following graduation of the class with which he originally entered college."

TOBY GREENE

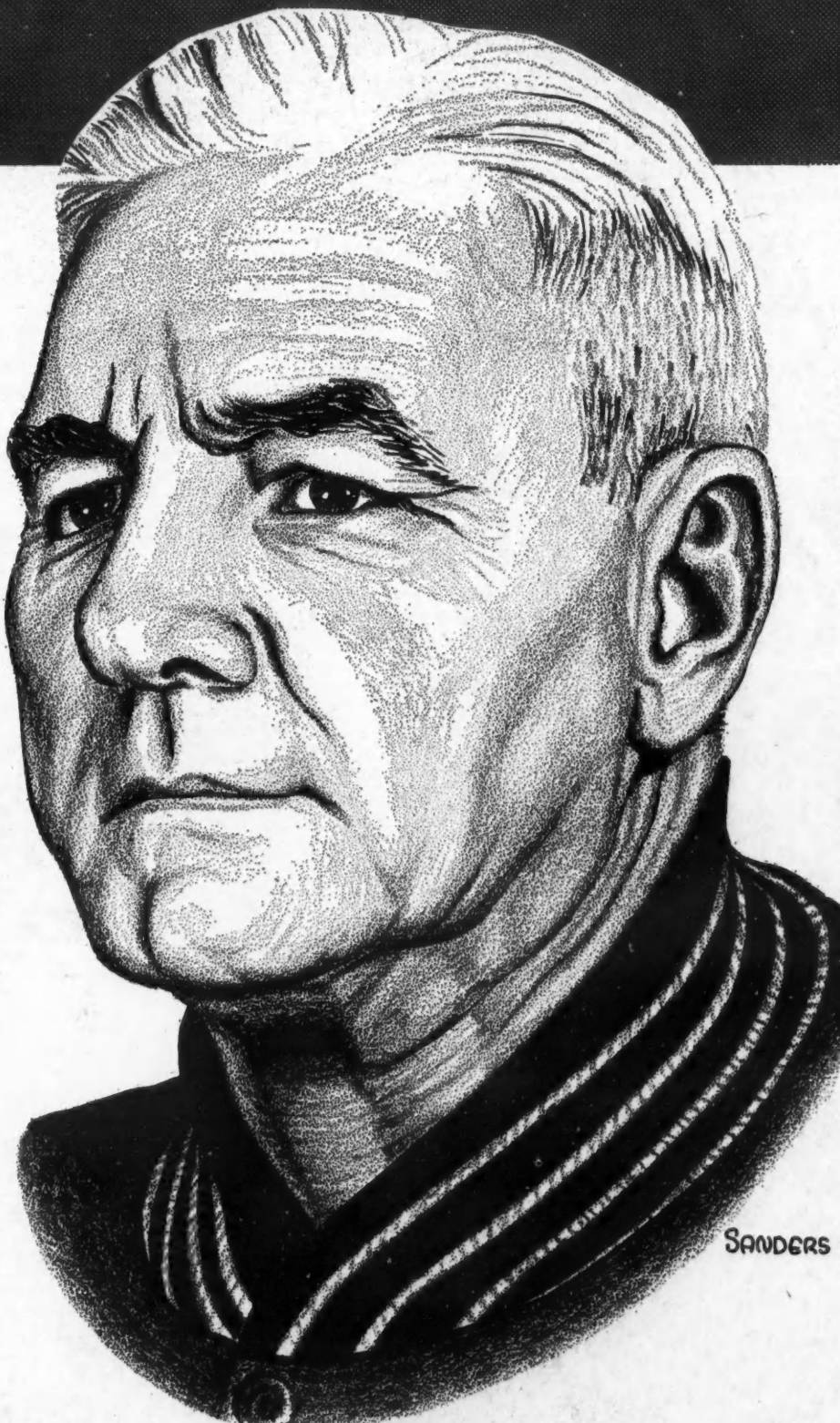
COACH OF THE YEAR

AFTER 16 YEARS OF SUCCESSFUL BASEBALL AT OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY, TOBY GREENE'S 1959 COWBOY SQUAD REACHED THE PINNACLE OF NATIONAL COLLEGIATE BASEBALL SUCCESS AS THEY CAPTURED THE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP AT OMAHA LAST JUNE.

GREENE'S COWBOY NINES HAVE WON 237 GAMES & LOST ONLY 88. HIS OSU TEAMS HAVE FINISHED AMONG THE FIRST FIVE IN THE NATION ON FIVE OCCASIONS SINCE THE NCAA TOURNEYS START IN 1947.

THE BEST PREVIOUS FINISH IN NCAA PLAY WAS THIRD IN '55. THE COWBOY TEAM THAT WON 22 STRAIGHT, GOING UNDEFEATED DURING THE REGULAR SEASON. THE '58 SQUAD FINISHED SECOND IN THEIR 1st YEAR OF BIG 8 PLAY.

A TRIBUTE TO THE COACH & CHAMPIONS DURING THE CELEBRATED YEAR....



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GREENE SERVES AS CHIEF SCOUT IN FOOTBALL & IS REGARDED AS ONE OF THE BEST IN THAT ROLE. HE PLAYED END ON THE AMAZING PHILLIPS UNIV. FOOTBALL TEAMS OF THE EARLY 1920s (POWERFUL SOUTHWEST CONFERENCE), WITH MANY LEGENDARY STARS. AMONG OTHER COACHING JOBS, GREENE WAS HEAD COACH OF ALL SPORTS AT OKLAHOMA CITY UNIV. BEFORE BECOMING A FIXTURE AT STATE. HE HAS SENT DOZENS OF PLAYERS INTO ORGANIZED BALL.

15th AACBC Convention Opens

NEW YORK, N.Y. — They'll be talking baseball in January here Sunday through Wednesday when the American Association of College Baseball Coaches meets in the Hotel Manhattan.

The nation's top college coaches will be on hand for their 15th annual convention, a convention

that is reminiscent of those hot stove talks in the country store.

Awaiting the coaches when they invade the Big City is a program filled with big meals (banquets and lunches), movies, round table discussions and special clinics.

Headlining the list of clinic

speakers are 2 members of the New York Yankees, plus a former Yank turned radio sportscaster.

Pitcher Whitey Ford will discuss the techniques and tactics of his specialty, while Catcher Yogi Berra will tell how to correct hitting faults. Ex-N.Y. Shortstop

Phil Rizzuto will explain how to increase double play production.

All three clinics will be held on Tuesday. Ford's will begin the morning's instruction at 9 a.m.

Other clinics will be led by Michigan Coach Don Lund, base running essentials; Clemson Pilot

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Fall Ball Given Successful Start

TUCSON — Fall college baseball schedules . . . are they sensible? The answer, a limited study by COLLEGIATE BASEBALL has revealed, all depends on where the particular school is located. During the fall of 1959, 5 eastern institutions, headed by St. John's University, pioneered in the field.

Washington Loses Kibler To Retirement Coach To Continue As Presidential Aide

CHESTERTON, Md. — Thomas J. Kibler has resigned as Washington College baseball coach. He remains at the school, however, as a special assistant to the president.

Kibler, 73, began his career at Washington in 1912 when he left the Ohio State campus to take over as director of athletics.

He held the director's post — and numerous others — until 1947 when he first retired from the college. He returned to the campus, however, in 1952 as baseball coach and assistant to the president.

Known by scores of persons in the world of sports, Kibler has led a full life in that field.

He played professional basketball in the old Eastern League and was a professional baseballer from 1909 until 1916. During his baseball career, he played in the Ohio State, Texas, New York State, Pacific Coast and International leagues.

He returned to the professional baseball scene in 1937 to serve as president of the Eastern Shore League, a class D loop. He held the same position again in 1946 and 1947.

He was a scout for the Boston Braves in 1949-50 and for the Philadelphia Phillies in 1951.

Kibler was president of the Maryland Intercollegiate Basketball League, which became the Mason-Dixon Conference. He was one of the group's founders and was chosen the first president.

In 1954, his baseball team won the Mason-Dixon championship. Last year he coached his team to a 12-4 record and lost a chance for the playoffs only on the last day of the season.

In 1947, when he first retired, tribute was paid to him at a special testimonial dinner during which one alum said: "Coach Kibler's name is so closely related with Washington College . . . that at the mere mention of the College, one immediately thinks of our beloved friend, Tom."

Arkansas State Star Signs Pact

JONESBORO, ARK. — Arkansas State Pitcher A. L. Gatewood has passed up his senior season to play professional baseball with the Detroit Tigers.

He was signed by Tiger scouts Schoolboy Rowe and Bobby Mavis. He received a bonus, believed to be \$10,000, with a stipulation that he will receive \$5,000 of it if he makes the major leagues.

Gatewood was the mainstay for the Indians for three seasons and was expected to headline the 1960 staff. In three years of collegiate pitching, he compiled an 11-7 record against some of the best teams in the nation.

Highlight of his college career was a 3-2, 10-inning win over the University of Missouri in 1958 when he struck out 13 Mizzou hitters. Missouri was the NCAA runner-up that year.

Threw 1st No-Hitter

EAST LANSING — Michigan State's first no-hit, no-run baseball pitcher was Ed Pinnance, who allowed Alma College only one base runner in 1903 when he beat them 5-0.

And according to St. John's Coach Jack Kaiser, "fall baseball has a big future" in that area.

There are several major advantages to fall schedules, Kaiser said.

While western teams are getting in top shape during the early spring, he pointed out, eastern clubs are battling cold, snow and rain.

"By scheduling fall games," he said, "teams who operate in more inclement climates can partially make up for the head start other schools get on them."

Kaiser said there are several major advantages to fall schedules. He cited better evaluations of individual ability, the potential of the team and the sort of game best suited for it.

Out in California, George Wolfman, University of California coach, said that fall schedules are more appropriate for schools in the east and midwest.

"We're not really concerned about playing fall baseball out here," he said. "In California and Arizona, we can play plenty of games. Some schools play close to 50. Some of the eastern, midwestern and Pacific northwest college teams are lucky to play 20 games."

Up in the Rocky Mountain area, Pete Butler, Colorado State College mentor, viewed fall ball with favor, but said he leaned more to summer schedules.

The main problem with fall ball, he said, would be a conflict with football. Many of our coaches, he pointed out, help with their football programs.

Butler said that a few years ago, college officials considered setting up three full semesters. Under this setup, a good summer baseball program could be established.

"This might be worth studying," Butler said.

CB correspondent Paul Moloney made a quick check of district 7 baseball rosters and came up with another negative side to fall ball.

"The bulk of our schools," he said, "rely quite heavily on two-sport athletes (football-baseball or basketball-baseball combinations), and fall ball would detract from one of the programs."

Kaiser's team, during the first semester, posted a 6-2 won-loss record against competition from Fairleigh Dickinson, Iona, St. Peter's and Adelphi.

"It was an unqualified success all around," he said, "and we are planning to expand the schedule in 1960, if possible."

Fall baseball? Practical for some; impractical for others.

As Baseball Boss

Delta State Picks Ferriss

CLEVELAND, Miss. — David M. "Boo" Ferriss, former pitching coach of the Boston Red Sox, has been named athletic director and baseball coach at Delta State College.

Ferriss is a native of Shaw, Miss., located only 12 miles from the Delta State campus. He attended Delta State, and is a graduate of Mississippi State University.

After four years under the "Ole Master" Coach Dudy Noble, Ferriss signed with the Boston club of the American League.

Boo entered the Air Force for duty in World War II. While pitching on the Air Force team at Randolph Field, Ferriss was honored by being named the "outstanding pitcher" of all service teams.

Wayne State's Truske Dies

DETROIT — Joseph Truske, Wayne State University's first baseball coach, died during the summer of 1959.

Coach Truske began his Wayne career in 1937 when he was named assistant football coach. He left that position in 1941 to take over baseball duties when the sport was first introduced on an intercollegiate basis at the Detroit school.

After a four-year tour with the Navy, Mr. Truske returned to the baseball post. Over the years he compiled a record of 88 wins and 114 losses. His best season was in 1947 when the Tartars won 8, lost 3.

A graduate of the University of Michigan, he won eight letters there in three sports. He captained the football team in 1929.

After graduation he coached football at Olivet College and then moved on to Iowa State where he served in a variety of posts.

Born in Sugar Notch, Pa., Mr. Truske has a son and a daughter attending the University of Michigan.

NCAA Baseball Guide Heading For Print Shop

The NCAA's 1960 Official Baseball Guide is being readied for the printers.

It will contain complete statistics on every collegiate player during the 1959 season.

And there'll be preview stories from every section of the nation.

Authors of these round-ups include Abe Chanin, sports editor of the Arizona Daily Star and editor of COLLEGIATE BASEBALL, the national picture; Bob Law, the Berkley, Calif., Gazette, Pacific Coast; Paul Moloney, Greeley Daily Tribune, District 7; Al Thomy, Atlanta Constitution, the southeast; Bob Wagner, the Kalamazoo Gazette, the middle west; Jack Ehresman, Peoria Journal Star, the Missouri Valley; Harless Wade, The Dallas Morning News, Southwest Conference; Phil Pepe, New York World Telegram and Sun, eastern; and Gene Granger, The Greenville (S.C.) News, the Atlantic Coast area.

Greene Receives Coaching Honor

NEW YORK, N.Y.—The year 1958 was a heartbreaking one for Oklahoma State's Toby Greene.

Going down to season's end, Coach Greene's Cowboys had a chance to capture the Big 8 Conference championship and get a crack at the College World Series during their first year in the conference.

But rain washed out the necessary games, victories in which could have meant the crown. Missouri ended up conference titlist and lost the nation's title in a nip-and-tuck 8-7 loss to Southern California.

But 1959 was another year for the Sooner staters. They won their league pennant, the playoffs and did their predecessor Missouri one better — they won the collegiate classic.

Because of this accomplishment, Greene will stand before fellow members of the American Association of Collegiate Baseball Coaches and be honored Tuesday night as "Coach of the Year."

The award, which he won by beating out Arizona's Frank Sancer and Fresno State's Pete Beiden, adds luster to an already glamorous coaching career.

Last year's championship was the first for Greene and his Cowboys after four previous trips to the college classic. Each time the club was beaten by the eventual champion.

In 1948, the Cowboys were ousted by USC; in 1949, it was Texas; in 1954, it was Missouri, and in 1955, it was Wake Forest. Greene's teams finished fourth, fifth, fourth and third in that order.

Greene came to Oklahoma State in 1939 as an assistant football coach, but didn't take over the baseballers until 1942. Since that date, his squads have compiled a 244-90 won-loss record.

Prior to the 1959 club, perhaps Greene's finest team was the 1955 aggregation which finished third in the series. His proteges roared through the regular season undefeated in 22 games, eventually finishing with a 27-3 record. Following that World Series, eight members of the team were signed to professional contracts.

Greene got his college education at Phillips University (Enid, Okla.) and played as an end on the school's amazing football teams of the early 1920's. He played alongside such legendary stars as Steve Owen, Doug Roby, John Levi, Dutch Strauss and Joe Milam. Phillips at that time was a member of the Southwest Conference.

Prior to coming to State, where he also serves as chief football scout, Greene was head coach of all sports at Oklahoma City University.

Receiving the "Coach of the Year" award will undoubtedly be Greene's biggest honor, but there'll probably be other thoughts going through his head at the same time.

There's 1960 and the defense of his school's coveted position. Who knows? He may guide his Cowboys to a repeat.

Fairly Picked As Denver's New Pilot

Young Coach Refused \$30,000 Pro Offer

DENVER, Colo.—H. P. (Rusty) Fairly, who once turned down a \$30,000 bonus offer to play professional ball, has been named baseball coach at Denver University.

Fairly, 27, has been coaching football and track at D.U. for the past 3 years. He replaces Bill Heiss, who moved to Colorado State College at Greeley, as head of the baseball club.

He is the brother of Ron Fairly, the youngster who picked up a \$100,000 bonus from the Los Angeles Dodgers when he was a sophomore at the University of Southern California.

Rusty Fairly was perhaps better known as a football player at Denver. A quarterback, he was the kind of man who would run on fourth down with 20 yards to go deep in his own territory. He did this against Utah State.

Another time, in a Salad Bowl game, he called a quick kick out of the T-formation. Fairly went back to pass, then got off his punt.

As a baseball player, he was a catcher and the object of offers from 3 major league teams. The highest offer was \$30,000.

"I wanted an education and I wanted to be a head football coach," Fairly explains, "so I refused."

Writers Get 'Best' Awards

NEW YORK—Sports writers Larry Boeck, John L. Owen, Tom Foust and Jack Williams will pick up the top awards during Sunday's banquet of the American Association of Collegiate Baseball Coaches.

Boeck, of the Louisville, Ky., Courier-Journal, and Foust, of the Arizona Daily Star will be honored for writing the best college baseball features during 1959.

Boeck's story won among entries from newspapers with more than 50,000 circulation, and Foust's was best for papers with less than 50,000.

Owen, of the Seattle Post-Intelligence, and Williams, of the Durham, N.C., Morning Herald, wrote the best straight news reports — Owens in the over 50,000 class and Williams in the other category.

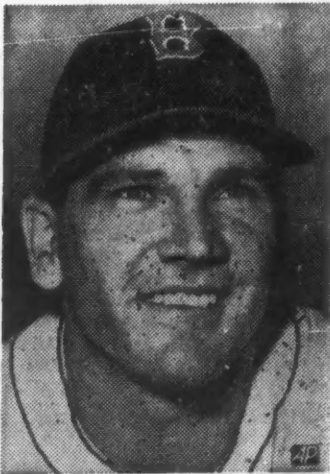
Other writers being honored include:

Features over 50,000 — Ernie Roberts, Boston, Mass., Globe, second; Jim Minter, Atlanta, Ga., Journal, third. Features under 50,000 — Miss Mary Garber, Twin City Sentinel, Winston-Salem, N.C., second; Al De Santis, Schenectady, N.Y., Union-Star, third.

News over 50,000 — Al Thomy, Atlanta, Ga., Constitution, second; Gene Warren, Greensboro, N.C. Daily News, third. News under 50,000 — Bert Bertine, Campaign-Urbana, Ill., Courier, second; Lou Pavlovich, Tucson, Ariz., Daily Citizen, third.

MSU Captain Picked

EAST LANSING — Michigan State's 1960 baseball captain Dick Golden is a first-year member of the Spartans' 1959-60 hockey team.



DAVE FERRISS

the press box



by ABE CHANIN

2ND BASE COACH

By J. F. MCKALE

THE EXPANSION of the major leagues of football and baseball bring up some very interesting questions.

For instance:

Those who are fighting formation of Branch Rickey's Continental Baseball League say there are not enough major league players available.

The new American Football League moves swiftly ahead in its organization.

The AFL seems to find there ARE enough major league football players available.

Why the difference in professional football and baseball?

The answer to this question could be the answer to ending the long standoff between collegiate and professional baseball:

GEORGE MEDINGER, vice-president of the Cleveland Indians and a member of the major league expansion study committee, told us that he stood against a new, third league.

He said he believed there were not enough players of major league caliber. There were enough to add two or four new teams to the present league, but certainly not enough players for a third league.

It would seem strange that professional baseball with all the years of development of wide-spread minor league farm systems would not have developed a great surplus of talent.

But professional football, which has never had any wide-spread farm system, says it has enough players for a third major league.

What's the basic difference?

Professional football has relied—what's that expression, 99 44/100 percent?—on collegiate football to supply its talent. And professional football most certainly has not been hurt. It's a booming sport.

Professional baseball, on the other hand, has resorted to pick-and-run attacks on collegiate baseball. Many great major league baseball stars have come right off the campus.

And from the current experience of professional football expansion, it would seem that pro baseball would have its source of material, too, if an agreement similar to pro football and basketball finally was worked out.

COLLEGIATE BASEBALL, with this issue, begins its third year of publication.

The national newspaper of college baseball began with the idea of serving as a house organ for the American Association of College Baseball Coaches.

But the AACBC and its executive committee saw more in the paper than that. Even before the first issue was published in 1958, the house organ idea was dropped and CB became a national newspaper.

And today the paper has its finest coast-to-coast coverage planned. Newspaper correspondents have been hired to cover collegiate baseball wherever it is played, and as a result we hope to be able to bring you the greatest variety of news we've had.

Circulation is moving up rapidly to new records with this issue. The new team subscription plan (see subscription blank in this issue) has been taken up by large and small colleges.

If you haven't arranged for a team subscription, you'll want to study the offer. Coaches who subscribed last year say it was the biggest boost they've found for the sport among their players.

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Book Review

Game Questions Answered

If there's a question about how to play baseball, it's sure to be answered in Ethan Allen's "Baseball Play and Strategy," published by The Ronald Press Company (\$5.50).

Through more than 500 action photos, well-known major leaguers demonstrate the skills that have made them famous: batting, bunting, base running, sliding — how to catch, pitch, play the infield and the outfield.

Fans and players alike will find this treasury of baseball lore the most complete and practical guide to the game ever published — from fundamentals to the most advanced tactics of team play.

For the coach or manager the book provides material on team organization, twenty-five diamond drills, complete signals systems, and offensive and defensive strategy, including an inning by inning analysis of a World Series game.

Rounding out what might well be called an encyclopedia of practical baseball are methods of scoring and computing percentages, official measurements for laying out a baseball field, and diagrams of practice tees and other practice aids.

Baseball was the first sport played in this country on an intercollegiate basis. It is now 101 years of age. Nevertheless, the college baseball coaches were the last to organize an association.

Ramrodded by "Eppy" Barnes (Colgate) and Joe Bedenk (Penn State) about 40 persons interested in starting an organization founded the American Association of College Baseball Coaches in New York City at a meeting held June 29-30, 1945. Twenty-seven dedicated men were the charter members. Thirteen of the charter members are active college coaches today. All thirteen are still coaching at the same college.

Among the objectives of the association were: (1) to promote college baseball throughout the U. S.; (2) to include baseball in the Pan American games with the view of eventually having this sport in the Olympic games; (3) the organization of a College World Series; (4) the forming of a college baseball newspaper; (5) the working out of a mutually satisfactory agreement with professional baseball relative to the signing of college players with future competition. All these objectives have been achieved except No. 5. Here the association has run up against a stone wall.

Although our game has not been included in the Olympics, baseball was played at the same time in Australia in '56. Last August, baseball was an important event in the Pan American Games for the second time. We have now held 13 World Series, and another will be repeated at Omaha this June. A successful paper is being operated for the third year.

When the AACBC was formed in 1945 there were less than 200 colleges playing the game on an intercollegiate basis. In 1960 the number of senior and junior colleges playing a regular schedule will be over 1,000. The members of the Coaches Association has increased from the original 27 to nearly 300.

What progress has professional baseball made during the past ten years? In 1949 there were 57 minor league teams. This year there will be 21. Ten years ago there were 23 Class D leagues. Now the professionals hope to have 8 in 1960. The number of players in organized professional baseball has shrunk from nearly 9,000 to less than 3,200 in a decade.

Many uninformed fans often state that college baseball is on the skids. They point to the annual series between Holy Cross and Boston College when a single game years ago attracted close to 20,000 fans. Other natural rivals are mentioned.

There never was a time when college baseball was as popular as it has been during the past 10 years. The thousand college teams will play 25,000 scheduled games in 1960. College baseball players will number more than 20,000.

What an opportunity for the professional game to have youngsters developed without cost. What a source of material. With the minor leagues sick and getting worse, where is the future baseball material coming from. If the professionals continue to butcher the college teams by signing promising collegians before they are ready?

Hurry home, coach, after the convention. If you have a real good ball player, you will probably find him signed.

The Coaching Box

By DAVE FULLER

University of Florida

OUTFIELD CUTOFFS

Failure of the outfielder to throw through the cutoff man, or to the relay man costs more runs, and puts more runs in scoring position than any other defensive act.

I think most of us play the cutoff and relays about the same. On throws to the plate from right and center field our first baseman is the cutoff man. To third base our shortstop is the cutoff man. On throws to the plate from left field our third baseman

is the cutoff man with the shortstop covering third base.

The cutoff man is coached to position himself about 60 feet from the base to which the throw is going, with the baseman lining him up, and making adjustments for the wind or the movement of that particular outfielder's ball.

We coach the baseman to always yell "cut it off" or "let it go." Some people coach their basemen to yell "cut" only. This is a very much neglected phase of the



DAVE FULLER

game. It takes good judgment on the part of the baseman, whether to let the throw come through or cut it off, and the only way he can develop this judgment is through practice.

The drill which we use to cover outfield throwing and cutoffs is as follows:

We put our lineup in the field, and use all extras as hitters and base runners. We keep the bases loaded at all times and there is always less than 2 out. Our infielders let all balls go through that are hit good, and our pitchers are instructed to throw like playing pepper so the hitters can hit to all fields. We use 2 pitchers and rotate them frequently because they slow you down otherwise returning from their backup position. We also alternate our right and left handed hitters or opposite field hitters to assure having balls hit to all fields. At the beginning of the year we instruct our outfielders to always play on the lead runner. This, of course, is to find out if the cutoff men are in position and to give the basemen an opportunity to exercise their judgment.

An outfielder has to develop judgment of throwing according to the speed with which he fields a ball or whether he fields it clear or not. Normally, any ball that is not fielded fast or one that is bobbled should be thrown ahead of the batsman to keep him from taking the extra base. The only time an outfielder should need help as to where to throw is on the extra base hit. This help should come from the outfielder nearest to him.

We have fine throwing arms in our outfield here at Florida, and we try to instill in them a pride in their throwing. We had several big runs thrown out at the plate last year. We had two in one ball game which is not common in college baseball. Your outfielders must be made to realize that they are throwing at an objective, your cutoff man, not just throwing in the direction of a base.

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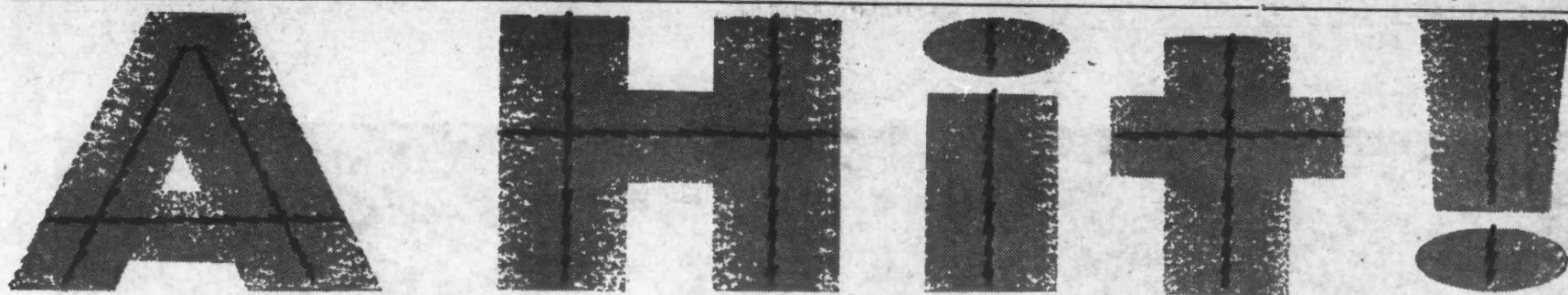
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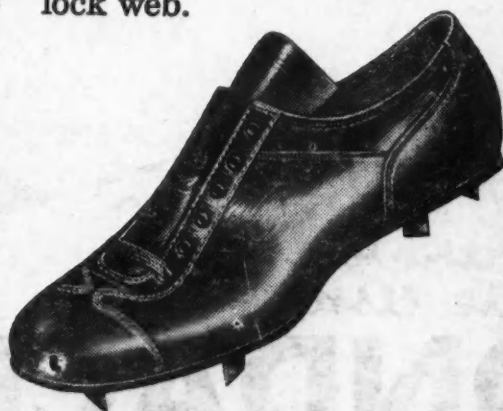
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JC Tourney Dates Set

GRAND JUNCTION, Colo. — The National Junior College baseball tournament will be held at Grand Junction next May 19-22 for the second consecutive year.

The tourney first was held in 1958 at Miami, Okla.

The Grand Junction Chamber of Commerce offered to underwrite the meet to the extent of \$3,500. It will receive 85 per cent of net proceeds and 15 per cent will go to the National Junior College Athletic Assn.

Eight teams will compete in next year's event with Mesa College of Grand Junction an automatic entrant. Paris, Tex., Junior College won the championship last spring.

Falcons Comply With Frosh Rule

By PAUL MOLONEY

AIR FORCE ACADEMY, Colo. — The Air Force Falcons are in their last stage as fledglings in athletics.

And for this reason, the Falcon baseball team in 1960 will probably have the smallest complement of players in history.

The Academy began complying with the NCAA freshman rule at the start of the 1959-60 school year. And for the first time since the academy was opened, freshmen will not participate on the Falcon baseball varsity.

As a result, Coach Wendy Lawrence will be relying on a squad of 18 or 20 players to be drawn from 700 cadets. This year's freshman class has a 750 enrollment, and by 1962 the Falcon baseball program can draw its complement from 2,250 cadets.

Lawrence, former Michigan State All-American, certainly has no problems in the infield, outfield and catching. But he would have liked to use some pitching from this year's freshman class.

Among the six players who were in the Academy's first graduating class last spring were the number 1 and 2 pitchers, Jim Gunter and Eddie Rosane. Lawrence may be forced to convert an infielder and/or an outfielder to the pitching staff this spring.

A standout freshman figured prominently in the Air Force's 1959 season. He was short stop David Pederson, who will probably hold down the job regularly as a sophomore.

Other than pitching, Lawrence will have a fine hitting, experienced team.

Top hands are seniors Norm Haller, John Kuenzel, Bob Sapp and Jim Kerr. As sophomores, this quartet hit above .300. The Falcons had a 9-9 record that year.

But last year only Haller, a top third baseman, surpassed the .300 level, hitting .364. Lawrence is counting on the other three to regain their hitting eyes, particularly Kuenzel, a hulking first baseman who plays quarterback in football.

Kuenzel was a national leader in slugging as a sophomore. He hit .406 and had a .734 slugging average. His batting mark was second best among major college hitters. But Kuenzel dropped to .295 last year.

Sapp hit .347 in 1958. An injury cost him his lousy average and the regular catching job last spring. He hit .227 and backed up .391-hitting Mike Quinlan. Quinlan or Sapp may be moved to the outfield in the spring.

Outfielder Kerr hit .333 in 1958 but dropped to a paltry .196 last year.

Lawrence figures this group will regain its touch and lead the Falcons to a good season, which includes a home-and-home series (5 games) with 1959 NCAA runner-up Arizona. Last year the Falcons won 8 of 15 games after getting off to a terrible start.

That First Trip

EAST LANSING — In 1865, Michigan State played its first away baseball game — a 16-mile railroad trip to the neighboring town of Mason.

UA Announces Record Slate

1959 Runners-Up To Play 48 Games

TUCSON — Arizona, the nation's No. 2 collegiate baseball team in 1959 will play a record 48-game schedule this spring.

Last year the Wildcats put together a 39-10-2 record, including a drive to the finals of the College World Series. The Cats lost to Oklahoma State in the final game at Omaha, 5-3.

This is the largest regular season schedule drawn up for Arizona and it brings to Tucson such outstanding collegiate baseball teams as Iowa, Michigan, Wyoming, Air Force Academy, Utah and Colorado State College, the perennial champion of the seventh NCAA district.

This is the first baseball meeting between Arizona and Michigan. The Wolverines are coached by the former Detroit coach, Don Lund.

Arizona is hoping to ride its 1960 schedule to another playoff berth in the sixth district. It's become an annual affair for Arizona to meet the champion of the Southwest Conference for the trip to the College World Series.

Arizona State at Tempe was figuring to bid for the playoff this year, but even if the Sun Devils take the edge in the 4-game series they won't be eligible because of being on a 2-year NCAA probation.

For Arizona Coach Frank Sancet the 1960 season will be his 11th at Arizona. In 10 years he has taken 5 teams to the College World Series and has a remarkable winning record of 325-89-2.

Sancet will take the Wildcats on their first barnstorming trip through the Rocky Mountain area. The Cats usually go to California during the Easter vacation, but this year the Wildcats will play at Wyoming, Colorado State U., Air Force Academy and at New Mexico.

Here is Arizona's baseball schedule for 1960:

March 7-8 — New Mexico, here; March 11-12 — Pepperdine, here, (doubleheader on 12th); March 14-15 — Colorado State U., here; March 18-19 — Colorado State College, here; March 21-22-23 — Utah, here; March 25-26 — Los Angeles State, here, (doubleheader on 26th); March 28-29 — San Diego Marines, here; March 30-31 — Michigan, here.

April 1-3 — Wyoming, here, (doubleheader on 2nd); April 4-5 — Sul Ross, here; April 8-9 — Air Force, here, (night game on 8th; day-night doubleheader on 9th); April 11-12-13-14-15 — Iowa, here, (doubleheader on 14th); April 19-20 — Wyoming, there; April 21 — Colorado State U., there; April 22-23 — Air Force Academy, there; April 25-26 — New Mexico, there; April 30 — Arizona State U., there (3).

May 2-3 — Arizona State College, here; May 7 — Arizona State U., here, (day-night doubleheader); May 10 — Cotton Kings at Casa Grande; May 15 — Casa Grande Cotton Kings, here, (night).

Highlands' Mound Staff Bolstered

By JOHN DONNELLY
Highlands Baseball Coach
LAS VEGAS, N.M. — The baseball squad has completed a successful fall practice during which time a number of important facts were discernible.

Foremost among the discoveries was the possibility of a strong pitching staff for the spring wars.

Camilo Estevis, Mike Maldonado, Oso Balli, Ike Romero and Gene Kimball provide real evidence of eliminating an obvious weakness of last year's squad—depth.

Two newcomers to the infield, Claude Browning of Mann, W. Va., and Bill Springer of Traverse City, Mich., will add batting

punch to the infield. Whether their fielding will prove adequate can't be determined at this time. Other infield candidates are Rene Guiterrez, Vivian Archuleta and Joe Baca, who are first year men and whose abilities are promising.

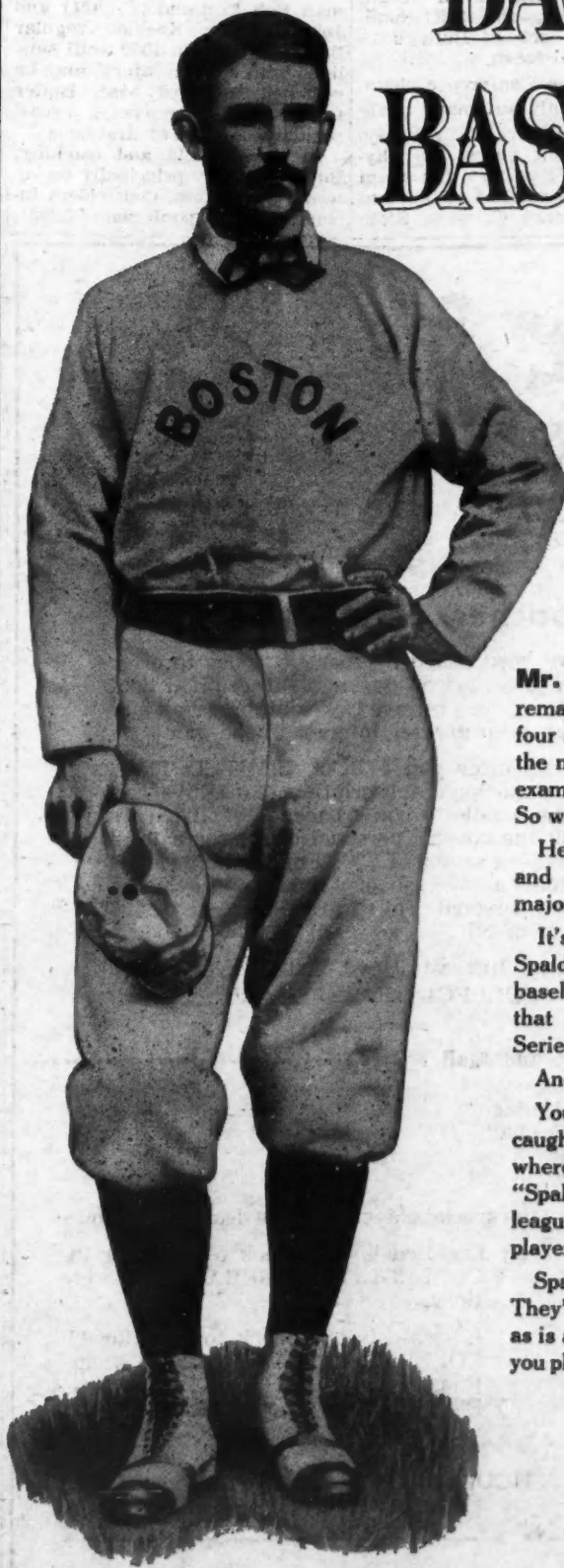
The one new addition in the outfield, Humberto Gonzalez, is a solid long ball hitter; his fielding and base running stand in definite need of improvement.

Other facts worth mentioning of the 1959 squad are that it recorded a final record of 20 wins against 6 setbacks and that 6 of its members were All-Confer-

ence selections. Rufe McDonald, Jim Ritchie and Willie Henderson were highly competent performers and their loss will be keenly felt.

Key men on the 1960 squad are competent, courageous Estevis, whose every performance will be measured by major league scouts, (last season he had an ERA of 0.90); hustling, intelligent Zeke Rodriguez, the wheel-horse of the defense and offense; and Tony Castanon, the club's one real power hitter who in his final year of college athletics could develop into one of the nation's top collegiate batters.

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CSC Bears Rated Tops In Area

Butler Adds JC Stars To Lineup

By PAUL MOLONEY

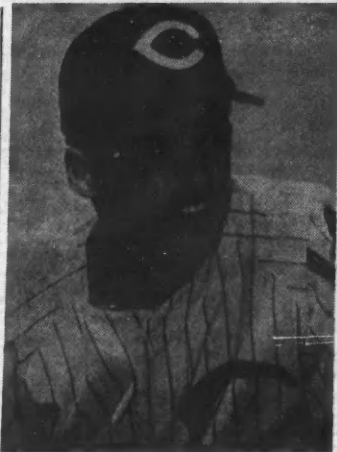
GREELEY, COLO. — Before Oklahoma State defeated Arizona, 53, for the 1959 NCAA baseball championship, District 7 coaches analyzed their needs for 1960 and began looking over available junior college players.

One coach, Dr. L. C. (Pete) Butler of the district champion Colorado State College Bears is hopeful he can plug some gaps with junior college transfers, and again compete for the title. Last year the Bears beat Utah in the district playoffs, 2 games to 1.

If so, he could easily guide the Bears into another College World Series. The Bears have appeared in the classic seven times already and have become the "hometown favorites" at Omaha.

But other district schools have fortified their forces with either juco transfers or sophomores. They certainly want to end CSC's district dominance like the Chicago White Sox ended the New York control in the American League.

Given the best chances to dethrone the Bears are Brigham Young or the Pres Summerhays —coached Utah Redskins in the Skyline Conference's western division; New Mexico, Wyoming or Colorado State University in the Skyline eastern division, or independent Air Force Academy.



DON HERRICK
CSC Mainstay

Colorado State College also faces challenges from steadily improving Adams State and Western State in the Rocky Mountain conference. But as Adams State Coach Lawrence (Spud) Orr said, "You can't buck the Bears with only one reliable starting pitcher." As a result, C-State has won the RMC championship in each of Butler's 16 years as head coach.

The Skyline Conference champion is the only automatic qualifier for the District 7 NCAA playoffs. In recent years, the Skyline winner has met the team with the best won-lost record, and in each instance Colorado State

College has come off best.

It is hoped that the district playoff will be expanded to a 4-team elimination with 2 Skyline teams, the Rocky Mountain Conference champion and the top independent included.

However, there is little likelihood a 4-team playoff will be set up in 1960.

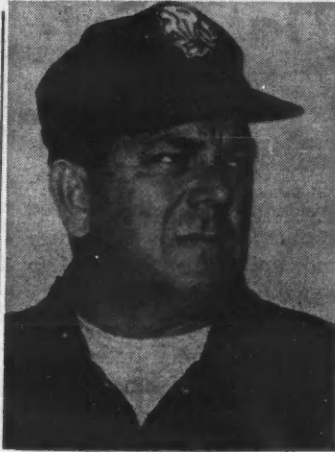
Now to Orr's point about pitching.

Because of what might be the biggest and best staff in years, Colorado State College must be considered the team most likely to win the district title.

Butler has three frontliners returning from the 1959 staff that carried the Bears into the College World Series. They are third team All-America righthander Don Herrick (10-3), lefty Frank Carbajal (5-2) and starter-reliever Joe Duca (5-2). A pair of junior college transfers also figure prominently. They are lefthander Jerry Maglia, who hurled Trinidad, Colo., into the Junior College World Series two years ago, and righthander Cisco Carlos.

Butler has two returning regulars in the infield in Second baseman Bob Preisendorf (.424) and John Koehler, regular Bear shortstop in 1959 until sidelined with a groin injury, may be switched to third base. Butler faces a problem replacing 3-year regular Joe Peck at first base.

In the outfield and catching, Butler will rely principally on veteran performers. Outfielders include Paul Chamberlain (.396),



PRES SUMMERHAYS
Utah Mentor

Ron English (.418) and Norm Idleberg (.410).

Butler said, "We won't have the hitting strength, but we will be stronger in pitching and tighter defensively."

Players forming the nuclei for the other teams in the district are:

Adams State — Righthander Darrell Westbrook (7-2), Shortstop Jim Workman (.416) and Jim Colbert (.306), the latter the best defensive outfielder in the Rocky Mountain Conference last year.

Western State — Third baseman Dick Neale (.421) and Shortstop Gale Fillmore (.333).

Colorado Mines — Pitchers Kim DeRubertis (5-3) and Paul Rairden (4-6), Second baseman Ken Ibsen (.348) and Outfielder Mike Sargent (.297).

Colorado College — Pitcher-infielder Tony Selitto.

Wyoming — Pitcher Bill Beck (5-2), Outfielders Pat Thorpe (.378) and Mike Cooke (.429) and Third baseman Ken Hladek (.308).

Colorado State University — Five pitchers headed by Jack Beasley (5-2), Infielder Joe Cridder (.293) and Outfielder Ken Mazur (.260).

Denver — First baseman Bert Donahoo (.299) and Second baseman Ron Dobson (.279).

New Mexico — Third baseman Joe Sarthory (.295) and Outfielder Larry Bennett (.250).

Utah — Catcher Tom Lovat (.343), Third baseman Rudy Lucero (.353), First baseman Ken Vierra (.323) and Outfielder Bill Cowan (.440).

Brigham Young — Pitcher Bob Mosteller (2-3), Shortstop Gary Earnest and Third baseman Pete Marks, both .429 hitters in 1959.

Montana — All-Skyline First baseman Terry Screenar.

Utah State — Pitcher Bill Wright.

Air Force — Slugging First baseman John Kuenzel, Third baseman Norm Haller and outfielder Jim Kerr.

Regis — Outfielder Jerry Tellez and Pitcher Jerry Smith.

At Broncoville

Pitching Holds Key To Success

By BOB CULP

KALAMAZOO, Mich.—Charlie Maher, baseball coach at Western Michigan University since 1937, is still moving at a fast clip in collegiate baseball circles.

Maher, whose team finished tied for fifth in last year's NCAA World Series at Omaha, Neb., has a lifetime mark of 296 victories, 141 losses and 5 ties including last season's 35-9 record (including NCAA district and finals play.)

Maher is starting his 21st season as head man at WMU—he missed the 1944-45 seasons to become a naval air commander in World War II.

Maher will look forward to the 1960 season with veterans at each position except on the mound. Maher's team will predominately

be a senior group, again except for pitching.

The hurlers returning are juniors Ray Lerner (2-1), a righthander; Bob Hamet (0-1), a righthander; and Jerry Socha (2-0), a righthander. The mound staff will be built around these players and Rollie Hopgood, a junior righthander who was used principally in relief last season (0-0), plus 2 sophomores, Larry Johnson, a righthander who doubles as an outfielder, and Gene Cooley, righthander.

If the moundmen come through, Western Michigan will be tough in 1960. Catching will be handled again by Larry Belanger, 6-2, 196-pounder. Dick Dwolinen and Al Erickson, both juniors, return to back him up. Belanger, a senior, hit .296 and drove in 31 runs and had 7 home runs, 6 doubles and 3 triples last year.

First baseman Andy Barich, a senior, returns. He'll have a battle with sophomore Bill Ihne of Chicago, a top prospect in Maher's eyes.

Tom Wood again will hold down the keystone position and junior Frank Quilici returns at shortstop. Jim Hock, a senior, will start his third season as a regular at third base.

In the outfield, Maher lost just Len Grabowski, a leadoff man who hit over three hundred in 3 seasons. However, his replacement will be most able. Currently, Roger (Bucky) Flath, a great hitter who is on the weak side defensively, and Ken Scodeller, hard-hitting fielder who broke a wrist in a slide at first at Omaha, are battling for the starting role.

Larry Randall in centerfield, now a senior, returns. He'll have to win his post from a sophomore speedster who has turned down several pro offers, Larry Johnson (the righthanded pitcher, too). Left field will again go to slugger Larry Buchanan, now a senior, who led the Broncos with a .364 average that included 17 extra base blows and 27 RBI's last year.

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Potent USC Back In Field

**Trojans Come Off NCAA Probation In Time
For '60 Season; Club 'Loaded' As Usual**

By GEORGE WATSON

LOS ANGELES — Ineligible to defend its NCAA baseball crown last year due to a probationary period placed on the University by the NCAA, Rod Dedeaux's Southern California Trojans will be eligible for the 1960 playoffs—and the Men of Troy stand a good chance of representing District 8 in the finals.

The Trojans were a powerhouse last season, winning the CIBA in a walk and then taking two straight from the Washington Huskies to nab the PCC crown. They are "loaded" again this year!

Dedeaux, who has seen his Trojan baseball teams win so many honors that he has lost count, figures 2 seniors and 1 sophomore will spearhead the 1960 assault.

The veteran SC mentor names southpaw Pitcher Bruce (Thomas Edison) Gardner and Catcher Bill Heath as the seniors and Third-sacker Tom Satriano as the soph that he's counting heavily upon.

The "silver fox" of West Coast baseball is especially proud of the 21-year-old Gardner (6-0, 180) — the hard-firing lefthander who compiled a mark last season of 9-2, and had an ERA of 2.83 in 95½ innings — because the youngster returned to school and rejected a \$50,000 bonus offer to sign a pro-baseball contract.

"Bruce is determined to finish his academic work and graduate!" Dedeaux says. "He is definitely in the 'high bracket' with the pro-scouts, so his returning to school will not injure his chances for a bonus if he wishes to sign upon graduation.

"Even though money has been offered to him, Bruce realizes the importance of his college degree. I am proud he has this attitude. I am sure his decision is a wise one. He will not only gain his diploma but also will receive in excess of the \$50,000 previously offered him to sign!"

Dedeaux re-emphasized that Gardner would be in the over \$50,000 bracket of bonuses even though he turned down an earlier offer.

"Too many college youngsters feel once they are made an offer they will never gain it again. This is not true! If you are worth that much now you will also be worth that much or even more in the future!"

Needless to say, Gardner will head the talented SC hurling staff this spring!

Heath, (5-8, 170) is described by the SC mentor as "one of the finest catchers in collegiate baseball." Dedeaux also explained that Heath is a good defensive receiver and can also hit with plenty of authority.

"His average of .296 for us last year is misleading," Dedeaux pointed out. "He is much more valuable at the plate than last year's average shows. Bill really is a good hitter — and he'll prove it this season."

Heath, who is 21, is a lefthanded batter.

Satriano (6-2, 180) is a heralded soph infielder that has Dedeaux, SC alumni, his teammates and the pro scouts agog! A left-handed hitter, Tom has already turned down numerous offers to sign. He's 18-years-old!

Two years ago he was the outstanding prep baseball player in California High School baseball circles at Loyola High School. At Loyola he was named 'Player of the Year' and he also made the first team all-CIF team at third base. He did very well at the plate and hit at a .480 clip.

Dedeaux continued in his evaluation of the soph phenom: "Tom is one of the finest, natural hitters — if not the finest — that I've had at SC. He plays third base well defensively, too — and unless someone sensational shows up Tom will be our third baseman. This boy just can't miss as a future major league star."

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Bill Wilhelm, the catcher's techniques and drills to teach them; and Manhattan Mentor Dave Curran, motivating the squad throughout the season. These will be held during the Monday afternoon sessions.

Also on the Monday p.m. docket is a panel discussion on indoor drills and the organization of early season practice. This will be moderated by Cap Timm, Iowa State University. Members will be Otto Vogel, Iowa; Archie Allen, Springfield; Dick Siebert, Minnesota; and Buck Lai, Long Island. The annual "Coach of the Year" banquet will be held at 7 p.m. on

Tuesday.

In addition to feting Oklahoma State Coach Toby Greene, awards will also be given Jim Dobson, Oklahoma State, as 1959's outstanding player in the World Series and to the past year's top sports reporters and photographers (see Page 11).

Accepting 25-year coaching awards will be J. Orlean Christian, University of Connecticut, who took his team to the World Series last year; Thomas Kibler, Washington College, who retired after the '59 season; and Waldo Yarnall, Lowell Institute of Technology, who doubles as his own sports publicist.

Radio broadcaster Mel Allen will be the major speaker at the banquet.

New officers will also be elected during the convention. Present officers are Raoul Dedeaux, University of Southern California, president; Christian, Walter Rabb, University of North Carolina, and Marty Karow, Ohio State, vice presidents; and J. Kyle Anderson, University of Chicago.

Christian is serving as convention chairman, and Abe Chanin, editor of COLLEGIATE BASEBALL, is in charge of press relations.

Cornhuskers Termed 'Fair'

LINCOLN, Neb.—Coach Tony Sharpe, starting his 14th season as baseball coach at the University of Nebraska, terms his 1960 entry as "fair."

Eight lettermen return. They are Ely Churchich, c; Harry Tolly, p; Enlowe Hevner, p; Ken Ruisinger, 1b-p; Doug Sieler, inf.; LeRoy Zentic, Bob Semin and Dick Nelson, outfielders.

Outfielder Jerry Harris, although he did not letter, was a regular in the closing games of the season.

Newcomers who should help Dave Webster and Ron Cougill, p; Phil Barth, Dave Webster, Ron Cougill, Phil Barth, Rex Swett, Elmer Takenishi, infielder; and Steve Smith, outfield.

April 4-5—South Dakota State, here. 8-9—Kansas State, there*. 11-12—Tulsa, there. 13-14—Wichita, there. 15-16—Missouri, here*. 22-23—Iowa State, there*. 29-30—Colorado, here*. May 6-7—Oklahoma State, there*. 13-14—Kansas, here*. 20-21—Oklahoma, there*.
*All Big Eight Conference series are three games.

Iowa's Veteran Coach Breaks His Ankle

IOWA CITY — Otto Vogel, Iowa's veteran baseball coach, is having his troubles these days.

At the Big 10 meetings in Chicago, Vogel's bad knee went out on him. He stumbled heavily on his other foot and broke his ankle.

CB Says Hello To Coming Season

TUCSON—With this issue, COLLEGIATE BASEBALL says hello to the new, exciting season called 1960.

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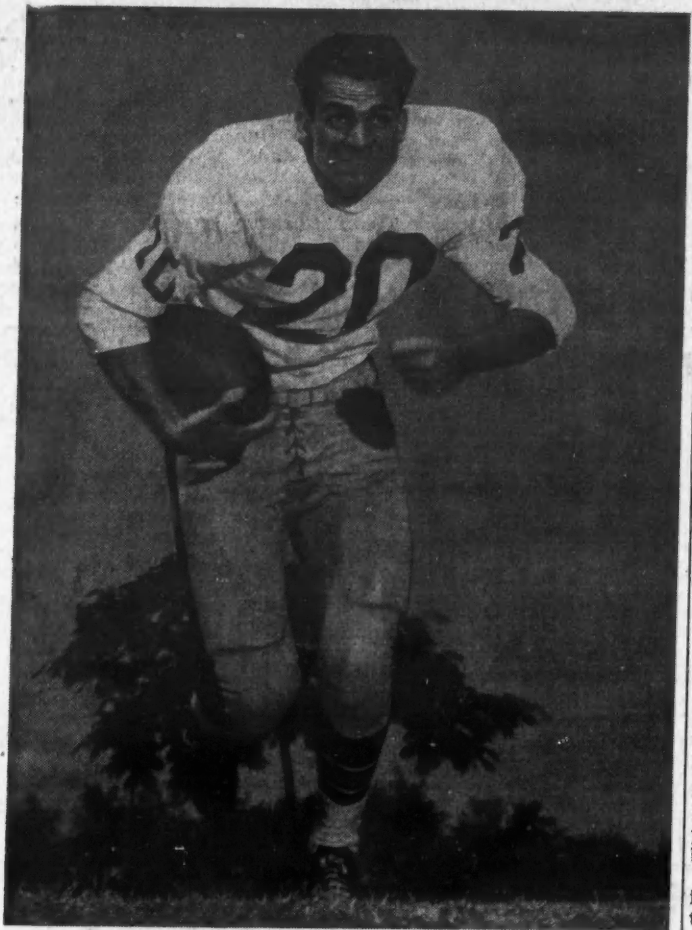
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'MVP' Jim Dobson Is Football Halfback
By BILL RICHARDSON

KANSAS CITY — Dick Soergel and Jim Dobson, who played major roles in Oklahoma State's national baseball championship last June, are not resting on their laurels.

The Oklahoma City products have been busy making a name for themselves in other sports.

Soergel, a senior, plays guard on the basketball team and quarterback in football in addition to his pitching duties. Dobson, a hard-hitting junior third baseman, performed as a halfback on the Cowboy grid squad this fall with defensive play as his forte.

Since most seasons overlap these days, Soergel is always late getting into the next sport. In 1958, Dick steered the Cowboys to a 13-6 victory over Florida State in the Blue Grass bowl on Dec. 13, then 2 weeks later was playing in the Big 8 conference basketball tournament.

He had his pitching arm working well by June and picked up the victory in the final game of the NCAA championships in Omaha. This gave the junior hurler an 8-1 record for the season with a 15-1 log for 2 years of college baseball.

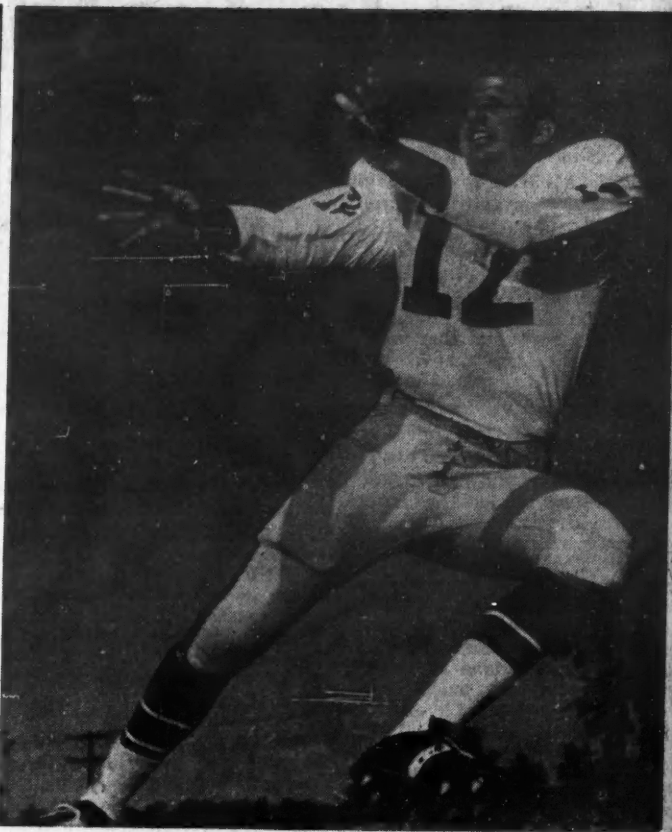
Dobson's desire to play football may enable him to complete his eligibility at Oklahoma State. Selected as the most valuable player at the Omaha tourney, he started drawing heavy notice from big league scouts.

Dobson, a third baseman, is a powerful hitter. He led the Cowboys in hitting last season with .342, tacking on a tourney average of .455. Oklahoma State fans were stunned when Jim failed to make the All-American team.

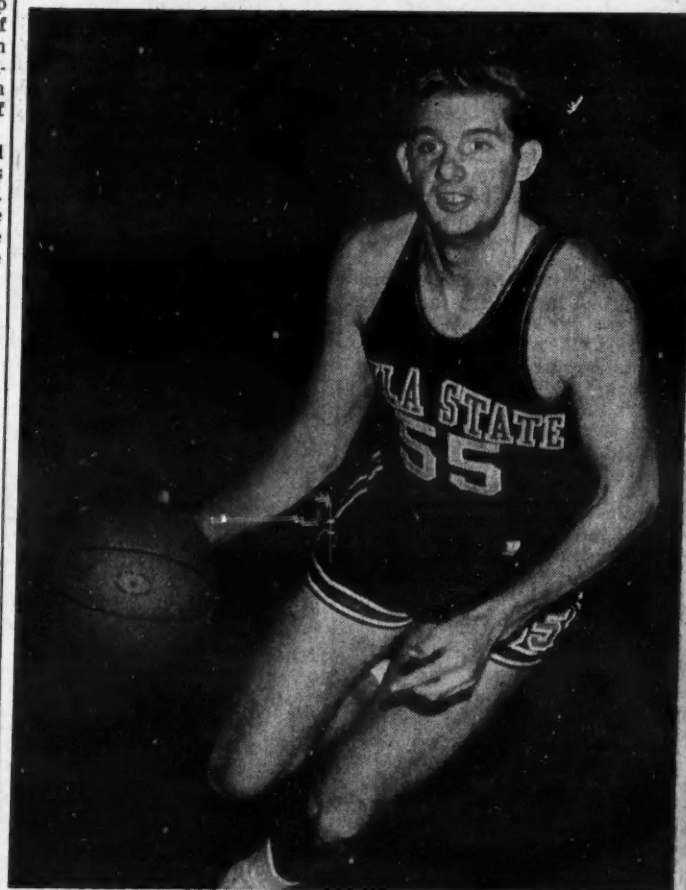
Soergel has just completed a tremendous year in football, his last on the college scene. The 6-2, 190-pounder connected on 60 per cent of his passes last season. His fantastic career figures reveal 2,303 yards gained passing, second greatest in O-State history, on 169 completions in 341 attempts.

Although joining Hank Iba's cage squad late last year, he still finished as the team's second high scorer. It may be the same story again this winter.

Soergel, labeled a natural by Oklahoma State fans, will go into the record books as one of the school's all-time great athletes. When he picks up his diploma next spring, he will have accumulated 9 letters in 3 sports — the best record at Stillwater in 13 years.



Soergel In Football . . .



And Basketball Togs

Chicago Clinic Scheduled

CHICAGO, Ill. — Batting instruction by Ernie Banks, Chicago Cub shortstop, will highlight the 1960 Baseball Coaching and Umpiring Clinic to be held here Jan. 23.

The clinic is sponsored by the University of Illinois, Chicago Undergraduate Division. It will be conducted in the CUD gymnasium at Navy Pier and begins at 9 a.m.

Other well known instructors and their topics are Paul (Dizzy) Trout, Chicago White Sox, pitching; El Tappe, Chicago Cubs, base coaching and catching; Tony Lucadello, Philadelphia Phillies, indoor and outdoor drills; and Frank Piet, Cincinnati Reds, infield play.

John Rice, American League umpire, will discuss unique play situations and the mechanics of umpiring. Also working in the umpiring program are George Grimes, of Crane Tech High School, rules interpretation and unique play situations; and Jim Smilgoff, Taft High School, umpire and coach as a team. Both men are from Chicago high schools.

Smilgoff will also take part in the coaching program as an instructor for base running and sliding.



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Travel Distances Hurt Big Schools

BY BOB LAW

BERKELEY, Calif. — University of Southern California's re-entry into the national collegiate scene and the selection system for the District 8 representative are 2 items of major interest among Pacific Coast college baseball circles at the outset of the new decade.

Western coaches at the NCAA meeting in New York City Jan. 3-5 undoubtedly will spend a good deal of time together discussing the latter situation.

Actually, the 6-team rule necessary to qualify a league champion automatically for the NCAA baseball playoffs shouldn't effect Coast baseball much.

Since the breakup of the 9-school Pacific Coast Conference last summer, 6-team leagues are the largest on the Pacific coast.

They include: The strong Central Calif. Athletic Association, the Northwest Conference, the Evergreen Conference and the Far Western Conference.

The West Coast Athletic Conference, originally a basketball circuit, has 5 members in northern California and 2 in the southern sector, but they've yet to get together for the proposed playoff.

Five-school circuits include: The omnipotent California Intercollegiate Baseball Association, the Northern Division (retaining its sectional title from the PCC days for the time being), the Southern California Intercollegiate Conference.

Not to be discounted is the Oregon Collegiate Conference.

However, travel distances are so great between the northwest and California that the schools on low baseball budgets all too often are eliminated by the expenditure necessary. Travel of between 500 and 1,000 miles — one way — is commonly called for. In the past two years, San Diego State, Seattle University and Linfield College have decided to forego the NCAA for financial reasons.

The elimination of a playoff between the northern and southern division kingpins in the defunct PCC may make for better balanced playoffs. Logically, northwest and California playoffs could set up two finalists instead of requiring long-distance travel for the semi-finals, as frequently was necessitated in the past.

Running down the various league favorites:

CCAA—Fresno State, NCAA third placer, and San Diego St., 1958 NAIA champ, again are expected to fight it out. Los Angeles St., which knocked off the Aztecs in a late-season double-header last spring, has seven lettermen. Cal Poly (SLO) won its last 9 in succession to lend promise for '60.

CIBA—Even though the pros and graduation have left Troy only three regulars, Rod Deaux, the retiring baseball coaches assn. president, has developed such an efficient farm system of his own that his adherents are confident he can rebuild well enough for a 10th successive crown. California, with a dozen lettermen, and Santa Clara, boasting a veteran pitching staff of 3 southpaws and as many

righthanders, are regarded as top contenders.

NORTHERN DIVISION — Washington loses a stellar pitcher, catcher, center fielder and possibly Coach Dale Parker from its first championship nine in 27 years. Still, Oregon State, Oregon, and largely-veteran Washington State, which won the most games in the ND last year, figure to give the surprising Huskies all or more than they can handle.

NORTHWEST CONFERENCE — Linfield retains six of its seven

all-league members and the favorite's role. College of Idaho looms strong again and Willamette is strengthened. Lewis and Clark has been hit hard by graduation.

EVERGREEN — Whitworth again has the strong pitching staff that helped win the 2 of 3 playoff with NAIA 4-placer, Western Washington College. Central Washington should challenge Whitworth in the eastern division. Western, half frosh last season, will have to beat down improved College of Puget Sound and Pacific Lutheran.

OREGON COLLEGIATE CONFERENCE — Southern Oregon has only two of five all-leaguers back. Portland State, with a frosh-soph club, won 6 of its last 8 to pose a '60 threat.

WCAC — Runaway victor Santa Clara is an overwhelming favorite, with San Jose State the likely runner-up. There is some talk of the Broncos not being permitted to compete in two leagues.

FAR WESTERN — Cal Boyes, succeeding Hal Wolf, counts on a veteran mound staff to earn Sacramento State its 7th consecutive crown. Chico State, which tied the Hornets at 8-2, has 9 lettermen back. Perennially strong contender

Humboldt State will have 10.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA IAC—Pomona has 12 lettermen bolstered by the championship frosh squad. Redlands has a half-dozen back from the club which made a strong stretch run on champ Whittier. They both could trouble the Poets, and Occidental could, too, if the catching problem is solved.

Seattle U, Portland U and San Diego U figure to loom large among the independents.

Individual standouts figure to include:

FRESNO STATE — pitchers Harvey Casey and Bob Scholz. San Diego St.—pitchers Tom Biscotti, Bob Imlay and Phil Adams; Jim Kennedy, c; Dave Olson, of. Los Angeles St. — Don Isaacs, p; Bob Metz, c. Cal Poly — Jim Kewkirt, p; Curt Hill, of; Cameron Best, of; Bob Williams, of; Carl Underwood, 1b.

SEATTLE—Lloyd Burgart, 1b. Washington — Don Daniels, of; George Grant, ss; Earle Irvine, p. WSU — Arley Kangas, c; pitchers Elwood Hahn, Bob Bolingbroke and Dick Montee; Gary Wyche, ss. Oregon — Ron Walp, c; Jim Hollister, 1b. OSC — Jerry Droscher, of; Bill Wagner, 3b; Gary Moore, p.

USC — Bill Heath, c; Ron Stillwell, 2b; Bruce Gardner, p. California — pitchers Dave Draheim and Ted Falk; Mike White, ss; Tom McGarrey, of. Santa Clara — pitchers Frank Sobrero Jr., Dick Creighton, Larry Higgins, Steve Shott, George Gardiner and Dick Williams; Lou Leonard, c; Ned Brown, if. Stanford — Mike Magee, 2b; pitchers Earl Russell, Marv Mecklenburg, Terry Lindeman, Warren Nelson, Dick Williams and Jim Smith. UCLA —

Howard Collins, 3b-p; Al Yusem, c.

REDLANDS — Paul Ward, p; Tim Burroughs, 2b; Gary Casella, 3b. Oxy — Lee Coleman, of; Bob Sutton, of; Dave Chavez, p. Pomona — Dale Gladding, 3b; Larry Johnson, 2b; Stan Granch, p. of.

SAN JOSE ST. — Emmett Lee, of; Jim Pusateri, of; Ted Coutts, c; pitchers Larry Williams and Dick Holden; USF — pitchers Bill Enos and Steve Whitlock; COP — Joy Gritts, c; pitchers Gene Safford, Chuck Verduzco, Leo Watkins and Mel Shepherd. St. Mary's — Harry Innocenti, 1b.

SACRAMENTO ST.—Bill Key, 1b; Raul Quezada, 2b; pitchers Corky Guy and Gene Schroeder. Chico St. — Wade Wall, of; Gary Engelken, c; pitchers Marshall Kreuter and Frank Enos. Humboldt St. — Ike Peterson, 2b; Ray Oroco, c; Dennis Pontoni, cf; pitchers Bill Drable and Jack Mays. Cal. Aggies — Al Von Steeg, c.

LEWIS & CLARK—Royce McDaniel, of; pitchers Jim Richards, George Held and Bob Olson. Linfield — Fred Herrmann, p; Bill Bauer, if; Bill Sallee, if; Jerry Martyn, c; Jack Riley, of. Willamette — Nisao Sato, ss; Dave Brock, of.

SOUTHERN OREGON — Jim Dietz, 2b; Phil Sword, p. Portland St. — Dennis Heath, ss; Phil Adolf, 2b. Portland U — Larry Farrell, ss; Joe Etzel, p.

WESTERN WASHINGTON — Roger Repaz, p; Ken Barton, p; Army McGinnis, Ralph Halbrook. Central Wash. — Capt. Ted Stone, 32-year-old outfielder; Jerry St. George, p; Ed Jordan, of.

Axers Foresee Stronger Frontier Loop Club

FLAGSTAFF, Ariz. — The Arizona State College Lumberjack baseball team will play a 20-game schedule in addition to the Frontier Conference tournament, according to Aaron M. McCreary, veteran Lumberjack baseball coach.

Season opener will be a double header at Luke Air Force Base, Phoenix, on Mar. 12. The Lumberjacks close their season against Luke on May 29, on the Lumberjack diamond in Flagstaff, playing a double header.

McCreary expects to have 10 veterans from last year's squad returning, with a number of experienced junior college transfers bolstering the squad, indicating that the Axer club could be much stronger for the 1960 campaign.

Pre-season workouts attracted more than 35 candidates. Twice-weekly batting drills and arm conditioning drills for 8 mound candidates were held in the gym.

Included among the 10 veterans are 2 pitchers, Bill Johnson, Flagstaff, and Willie Yanez, Globe.

Other returnees are: Ted Sorich, Bisbee, general utility man and first baseman; Junior Vargas, Winslow, third base; Marvin Peterson, Flagstaff, outfielder; Dick Garcia, Seligman, catcher; Claude Cobb, Pico-Rivera, Calif., catcher; Kent Briggs, Glendale, shortstop; Richard Wilhite, Phoenix, outfielder; and Arden McRae, Winslow, infielder.

Mar. 12—Luke Air Force Base, there. 19—Grand Canyon College, there. 26—Phoenix College, there.

April 9—Grand Canyon College, there. 15-16—Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, there. 22-23—Arizona State University, there.

May 2-3—University of Arizona, there. 7—Davis-Monthan, here. 10—Phoenix College, here. 13-14—Frontier Conference, Santa Fe, N.M. 21—Luke Air Force Base, here.

Ott To Lead Knight Attack

WAVERLY, Iowa—After a disappointing fourth place finish in the Iowa Conference last year, Wartburg College is aiming for its first loop title this year.

Added experience plus depth in Coach Earnest Oppermann's mound corps is expected to be the difference. However, the Knights have some big question marks on the left side of the infield, in the outfield and at the plate.

Wartburg's drop from second to fourth from 1958 to 1959 is explained by an even more astounding drop in the team batting average, from .301 to .226.

Pacing Wartburg this year will be last year's honorary team captain, junior Marv Ott. A pitcher-first baseman, Ott led the Knights in hitting with a .388 average and had a 3-1 pitching record. He also tied sophomore Jim Borcharding in the earned run department with a 1.75 average.

Twelve returning lettermen will form the nucleus for the squad. Third base and shortstop will be Oppermann's biggest headaches.

The schedule:
April 9—Gustavus Adolphus (2), here. April 12—Central College (2), there. April 19—Upper Iowa Uni., there. April 23—Parsons College (2), here. April 30—Iowa Wesleyan (2), there.

May 4—Luther, here. May 7—Simpson (2), here. May 14—Buena Vista, there. May 17—Upper Iowa, here. May 21—Buena Vista, here. May 23—Iowa State Teachers College, there. May 25—Iowa State Teachers, here.

Omaha's Virgil Yelkin Heads NAIA Committee

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Virgil Yelkin, athletic director and baseball coach at the University of Omaha, Neb., has been named chairman of the Baseball Advisory Committee of the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics.

Yelkin replaces Charles R. Smith, baseball coach at San Di-

ego, Calif., who has been chairman of the committee for the last two years.

Yelkin's Omaha team finished as runner-up in the 1959 NAIA baseball tournament in Alpine, Tex., last June. His team, after a second round defeat, moved back through the consolation bracket to force a 2-game showdown with

eventual winner Southern University of Baton Rouge, La.

The NAIA Baseball Advisory Committee has charge of the conduct of the NAIA national championship tournament and the baseball program conducted for the member colleges. Almost 400 of the 465 NAIA members conduct baseball on an intercollegiate basis.



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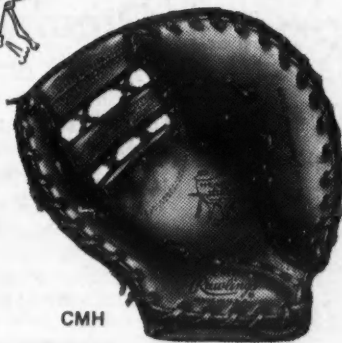
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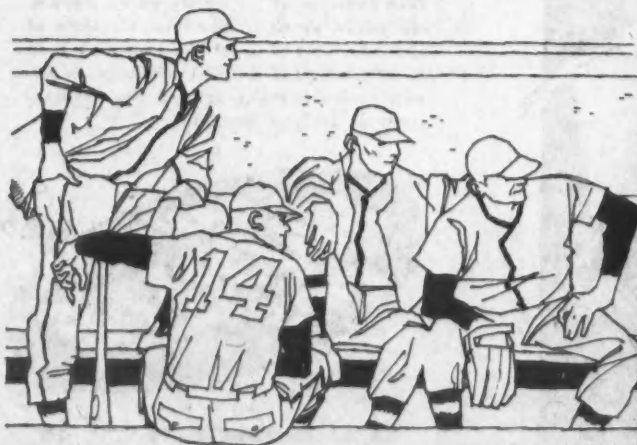
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